

Department of Energy

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Mr. M. J. Bullock, Vice President BNFL Inc. 3000 George Washington Way Richland, Washington 99352

Dear Mr. Bullock:

REGULATORY UNIT (RU) COMMENTS ON BNFL'S EMPLOYEE CONCERNS PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION BASIS AMENDMENT REQUEST (BNFL-5193-ECP-01, REVISION 0)

BNFL submitted an Authorization Basis Amendment Request to modify its approved Employee Concerns Program (ECP) in a letter dated January 26, 2000. The amendment submitted a completely revised ECP. Based on the RU's detailed review of the amendment, a list of question and comments were generated. These questions and comments were discussed with your staff in a meeting held on February 16, 2000, at the BNFL offices. Enclosed is the list of questions and comments that were covered during the meeting. At this meeting the BNFL staff was receptive to the issues raised by the RU and agreed to revise the ECP accordingly. It is our understanding that this revision will be forwarded to the RU in the near term and that this revised amendment request will supersede the aforementioned amendment.

Nothing in this letter should be construed as changing the Contract (DE-AC06-96RL13308). If you have any questions on the contents of this letter or any other questions regarding the review of this amendment request, please contact me or Pat Carier of my staff on (509) 376-3574.

Sincerely,

D. Clark Gibbs, Regulatory Official Office of Safety Regulation of the TWRS-P Contractor

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Enclosure

cc w/encl:

D. W. Edwards, BNFL